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SLAYERS FAN BOOK

PREFACE

Hello, everyone. And to those it applies, pleased to meet you! I'm Tuberculin Tsujisaki.
I originally wrote this book (it's totally not long enough to call it a book...) based on the events in volume 15 of the main Slayers novels, so if you haven't read that yet, you might not get a whole lot out of this. (Sorry!)
As it happens, whenever I'm working on a new Slayers book, I always, without fail, end up running laughably short on time... and it looks like this time will be no exception. (OTL)
In fact, I shouldn't even be writing this in past-tense! I'm secretly hammering it out on the keyboard at work on my lunch break. (lol) I'm so glad I have my own computer...
I still have to finalize the script, sketch out the rough draft, ink that in, fill in the blacks, and paste the tones.... Boy, I sure hope I finish in time! (I'm talking like it's someone else's problem...)
Rest assured, I'll do my very best! It may be a short read, but I hope you enjoy it.

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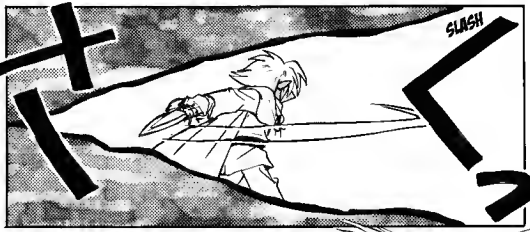
SAY NO MORE. I UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.
IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF DEMON ACTIVITY AND THE HIGHLY UNUSUAL WEATHER SITUATION, WE PETITION THE KNIGHT OF CEIFEED FOR HER AID IN INVESTIGATING AND RESOLVING THESE-

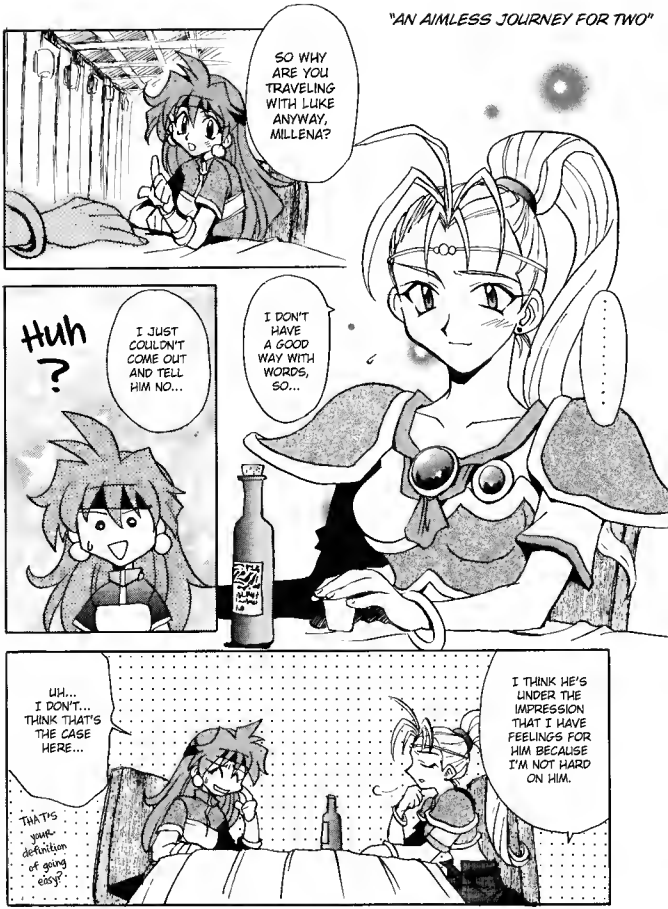
IT'S HER WAY OR NO WAY.

"AMELIA'S STORY"
THE TIME IS NOW! LET THEM FACE THE FULL WRATH OF OUR IRON HAMMER OF JUSTICE!
YEAAAH!
THE WORLD IS UNDER SIEGE BY FORCES WHO WISH TO PLUNGE IT INTO DARKNESS! WE MUST TOLERATE IT NO MORE!
DOOT!!
ROYAL FRIEND-SHIP KICK!
FOR FATHER!
PACIFIST CRUSH!
WHAM!
AS ALWAYS, FULL OF VIGOR.
I'M NOT SURE THAT'S... PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE, YOUR HIGH-NESS.
GRIP!
FOLLOW MY LEAD, EVERY-ONE!

THIS CAVE IS WHERE THE MANUSCRIPT IS SUPPOSEDLY HIDDEN...
SHIFF
HH!

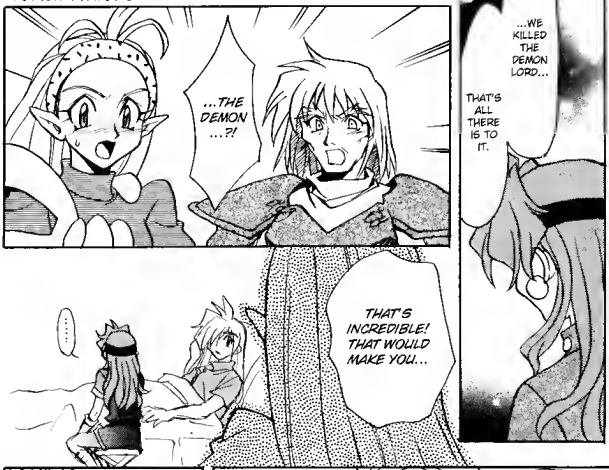

SLASH

...STRANGE. THERE SHOULDN'T BE SO MANY DEMONS HERE.
WHO CARES. I NEED TO INVESTIGATE THIS CAVE!
ONWARD!
MORE OF THE USUAL.


SO WHY ARE YOU TRAVELING WITH LUKE ANYWAY, MILLENA?
I DON'T HAVE A GOOD WAY WITH WORDS, SO...
Huh ?
I JUST COULDN'T COME OUT AND TELL HIM NO...
I THINK HE'S UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT I HAVE FEELINGS FOR HIM BECAUSE I'M NOT HARD ON HIM.
UH... I DON'T... THINK THAT'S THE CASE HERE...
THAT'S your definition of going easy?

!?
IT IS SAIRAAG. OF THAT, THERE IS NO DOUBT.
"THE DEMON LORD'S REVIVAL(?)"
JEEZE, GOURRY. TAKE IT EASY.
WH... WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!
THE HECK ...?
WHO...

"DEMON SLAYERS?!"



...IF YOU STOP RUNNING FROM ME NOW...
N... NO!
SASH
I'LL MAKE YOUR DEATH QUICK!
HSHO
!?
CLANG!

WE DIDN'T GET OFF TO A GOOD START AT FIRST.

...HOW DO YOU SLEEP AT NIGHT KNOWING YOU LIVE OFF THE DEATHS OF OTHER PEOPLE?
WHEN SHE SAID THAT, IT STRUCK A CHORD.
SORRY IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER WAY TO LIVE.
...THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NOT BEING ABLE AND NEVER TRYING.
SHE WAS PLAIN WITH HER WORDS.
PLAIN WITH HER KINDNESS, TOO.
...WHAT?
...ALRIGHT. I'M COMING WITH YOU!

SHOT DOWN
...NOTHING PERSONAL, BUT I'VE NEVER LIKED RED-HEADS.
I'M NOT TAKING ONE WITH ME NOW.
fwip
Dyed it black.
...ARE YOU THAT STUPID?
GASH
shing...
...YOU IDIOT.

MORE THAN ANYTHING
WHEN I SEE MY BELOVED MILLENA IN DANGER, MY BODY MOVES ON ITS OWN!
THIS IS NOTHING!
IF YOU HADN'T JUMPED IN FRONT OF ME, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN HURT.
AWW
THEN MAKE IT STOP.
THAT RARE SMILE SHE WOULD SOMETIMES SHOW ME
heh.

WAS WHAT I LOVED ABOUT HER.
...MIL-LENA...!

I DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY TEARS LEFT TO CRY...

WITH EVERY PASSING DAY... IT ONLY HURTS MORE...
WHAT DO I DO WITH THIS PAIN...?
NO AMOUNT OF WISHING WILL EVER BE ENOUGH
NO AMOUNT OF HATE WILL EVER BE ENOUGH
BY THE TIME I REALIZED I'D GIVEN IN TO THE DARKNESS INSIDE OF ME...
THE DEMON INSIDE OF ME
HAD ALREADY AWOKEN ...

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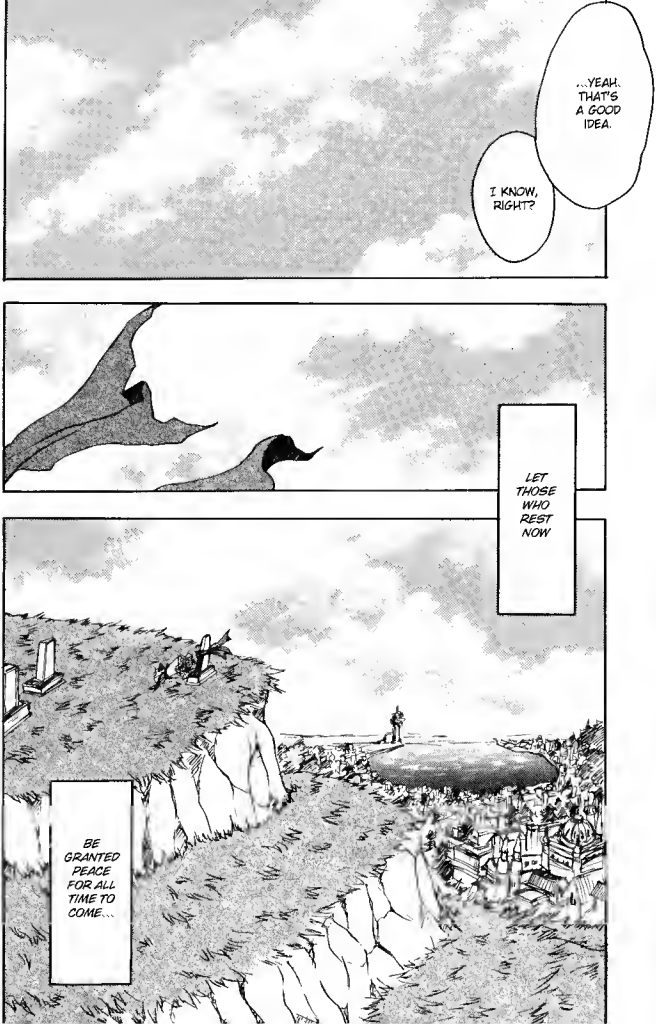
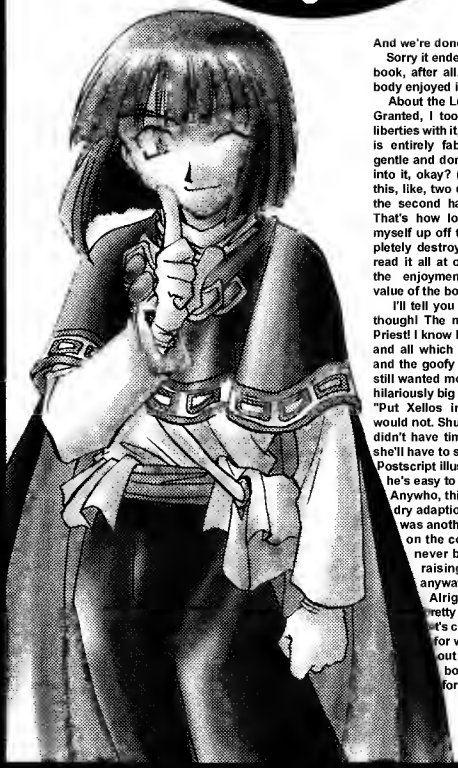
ALRIGHT! NEXT STOP, ZEPHILLIA!
OH, GOURRY? BEFORE WE HEAD OUT, I WANT TO MAKE A QUICK STOP IN SELENTIA.
...YOU WANT TO SAY GOODBYE TO MILLENA?
THAT'S PART OF IT...
WHEN WE CAME BACK FROM THAT OTHER WORLD...
I WAS HOLDING THIS..
I WAS THINKING OF TAKING IT... TO HER.


...YEAH. THAT'S A GOOD IDEA.
I KNOW, RIGHT?
LET THOSE WHO REST NOW
BE GRANTED PEACE FOR ALL TIME TO COME...

POSTSCRIPT



And we're done~.

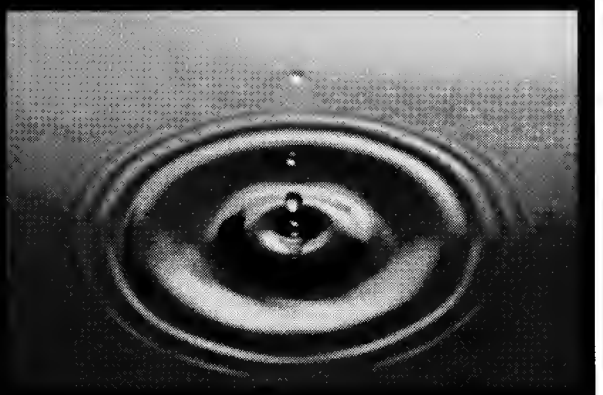
Sorry it ended up being such a small book, after all. But as long as somebody enjoyed it, I'm happy!

About the Luke and Millena comic... Granted, I took some pretty extreme liberties with it, (The meeting sequence is entirely fabricated.) so please be gentle and don't poke too many holes into it, okay? (sweat) I started writing this, like, two days after I marathoned the second half of the series again. That's how long it took me to pick myself up off the ground after it completely destroyed me... But when you read it all at once, it really increases the enjoyment value-slash-crushing value of the books.

I'll tell you what I wanted more of, though! The not-so-mysterious Beast Priest! I know he showed up at the end and all which kind of made up for it, and the goofy level was spot-on, but I still wanted more of him. My sister's a hilariously big fan of him. She was like, "Put Xellos in the story, too!" She would not. Shut. UP about it. So I did. I didn't have time to make a comic, so she'll have to settle for him being the Postscript illustration instead. Man, he's easy to draw.

Anywho, this was a pretty cut-and-dry adaption of the series, so that was another reason I took a pass on the comic idea. That and I'd never be able to tie the child-raising or bath-time jokes in, anyway.... (lol)

Alright, well, this is getting pretty long for a Postscript, so let's cut it there! If I'm accepted for winter comiket, I'll figure out what I'll do for my next book then. (probably). But for now, thanks for reading!



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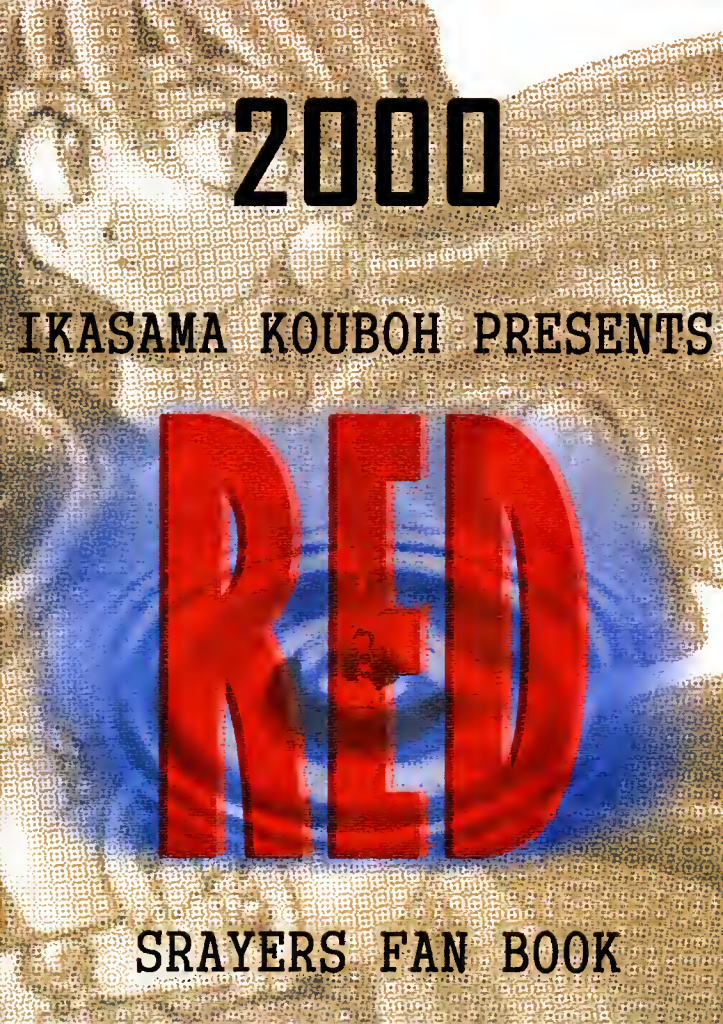

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